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In re application of: John C. Reed
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For: NOVEL CARD PROTEINS INVOLVED IN CELL DEATH REGULATION

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 2, 2001, entry of the following Amendments and Remarks is respectfully requested.

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AMENDMENTS

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice

Please amend claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 27 and 66 to read as follows:

Sub C 1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule encoding a NB-ARC and CARD containing protein (NAC), comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide having at least 80% identity to SEQ ID NO:4 or SEQ ID NO:6, or the complement of said nucleotide sequence,

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